

## Section I – Project Information

From Helen Hanssen	Lease No. N/A
Title FAA Interpretative Signage	Project No. N/A
Date 4/28/16	Agency GSA/PBS

## Section II – Site Information

Building Name Orville Wright Building		Size (SF) <i>indicate GSF or RSF</i> 1,111,138	Floodplain
Building # DC0083		Built Date 1963	Critical Action Letter * N/A
Street Address 800 Independence Avenue, SW		# Personnel N/A	Critical Action * N/A
City Washington		# Parking Spaces N/A	Floodplain Justification N/A
State DC	Zip Code 20591	Type of Space (office, lab, etc.) office	RHPO Notification Yes

\* Critical Action Letter required within the 500-yr floodplain. "Critical Action" is any activity for which even a slight chance of flooding would be too great a risk.

## Section III – Action Description

(e.g., new lease for 5 years with an option for a 5-year succeeding lease, and relate to the category selected below)

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) is submitting preliminary and final site development plans for the installation of two interpretative signs at the FAA located at 800 Independence Avenue, SW (Orville Wright Building). The armature for the signs will be modeled after National Park Service informational signs that are approximately 48 inches high and 36 inches wide. The informational panel for each sign is 36 inches wide by 24 inches high and is set at a 45 degree angle. The information panel is mounted on two posts for a total height of 48 inches. The signs will be placed in the north lawn of the Orville Wright building, parallel to Independence Avenue. The installation will require two, 12 inch diameter by 36 inch deep holes per sign and will be located immediately adjacent to the building's flagpole inside the GSA property line.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Documentation Attached? (e.g., site map, floodplain map, additional project details)	Description: Floodplain map / SHPO Ltr
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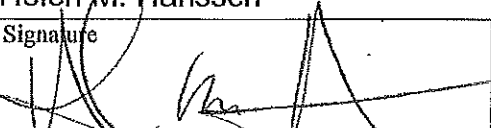
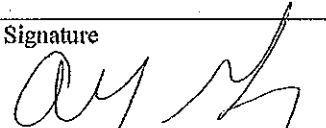
## Section IV – Types of Action

Based on the definitions provided in Section VI, this action qualifies for an automatic categorical exclusion (CATEX) as selected below. As such, it is excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or an EIS, pursuant to paragraph 5.3 of the PBS NEPA Desk Guide (October 1999).

Please select the categories that best apply to the action described in Section III.

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## Section V – Approval

Project Representative (Print Name) Helen M. Hanssen		Environmental Protection (Print Name)	
Signature 	Date 4/28/16	Signature 	Date 4/28/16

## Section VI -- Category Descriptions

Pursuant to paragraph 5.3 of the PBS NEPA Desk Guide (October 1999) the following are automatic CATEXs and require no checklist:

- (a) Outleases, licenses, and other arrangements for non-federal use of space in existing Federal office buildings, where such use is consistent with local planning and zoning, where Section 106 of the NHPA is complied with where applicable; and there is no evidence of community controversy or unresolved environmental issues.
- (b) Acquisition of space within an existing structure, either by purchase or lease, where no change in the general type of use and only minimal change from previous occupancy level is proposed (previous occupant need not have been a Federal tenant).
- (c) Relocation of employees into existing Federally controlled space that does not involve a substantial change in the number of employees or motor vehicles.
- (d) Reductions in force or other personnel, administrative, or ministerial actions, including bargaining with employee unions and managing routine activities normally conducted to protect or maintain GSA-controlled properties (e.g., security and custodial services).
- (e) Lease extensions, renewals, or succeeding leases.
- (f) Outlease or license of government-controlled space, or sublease of government-leased space to a non-Federal tenant when the use will remain substantially the same.
- (g) Acquisition of land or easements that result in no immediate change in use and where subsequent compliance with NEPA and other applicable laws and regulations will take place as needed.
- (h) Site characterization studies and environmental monitoring, including siting, construction, operation, and dismantling or closing of characterization and monitoring devices. Such activities include, but are not limited to the following:
  - Site characterization and environmental monitoring activities under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)
  - Geological, geophysical, geochemical, and engineering surveys and mapping, including the establishment of survey marks
  - Installation and operation of field instruments, such as stream-gauging stations or flow-measuring devices, telemetry systems, geochemical monitoring tools, and geophysical exploration tools
  - Drilling of wells for sampling or monitoring of groundwater, well logging, and installation of water-level recording devices in wells
  - Aquifer response testing
  - Installation and operation of ambient air monitoring equipment
  - Sampling and characterization of water, soil rock, or contaminants
  - Sampling and characterization of water effluents, air emissions, or solid waste streams;
  - Sampling of flora or fauna
  - Historic property identification and evaluation studies in compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
- (i) Administrative actions such as procurement of consultant services for appraisal or environmental analysis.
- (j) Repair and alteration projects involving, but not adversely affecting, properties listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, when there is no evidence of community controversy or other environmental issues. The process required by Section 106 of the NHPA must be followed; see ADM 1020.2.
- (k) Other repair and alteration projects where:
  - No toxic or hazardous substances are involved with the project or exist in or on the property where the project takes place;
  - No properties listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places are involved;
  - The building footprint or envelope will not be increased;
  - There is no evidence of community controversy; and
  - There is no evidence of other unresolved environmental issues.
- (l) Repairs and alterations or modernization conducted in accordance with applicable plans, such as Facility Master Plans, where such plans have been reviewed under NEPA and there is no evidence of community controversy or unresolved environmental issues. The process required by Section 106 of the NHPA must be followed; see ADM 1020.2.
- (m) Repair to or replacement in kind of equipment or components in GSA-controlled facilities without change in location, e.g. HVAC, electrical distribution systems, windows, doors or roof where there is no evidence of unresolved environmental issues.
- (n) Facility maintenance, custodial, and groundskeeping activities not involving environmentally sensitive areas (such as eroded areas, wetlands, cultural sites, etc.), including window washing, lawn mowing, trash collecting, and snow removal.
- (o) Procurement contracts for professional services and supplies not addressed elsewhere here.
- (p) Preparation of implementation guidance.
- (q) Studies that involve no commitment of resources other than manpower and funding.
- (r) Assisting Federal agencies in public utilities management (excluding communications), negotiating for public utility services on behalf of Federal agencies, and providing expert testimony before public utility regulatory bodies.
- (s) Federal real property utilization surveys in accordance with Executive Order 12348.
- (t) Real property inspections for compliance with deed restrictions.
- (u) Administrative action by GSA to remove clouds on titles.
- (v) Disposal of real property required by public law wherein Congress has specifically exempted the action from the requirements of NEPA.



## STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE REVIEW

**DATE:** 4-12-16

**TO:** Gary Porter, GSA

**PROJECT:** Installation of two signs at Orville Wright Building

**DC SHPO PROJECT NUMBER:** 16-294

The DC State Historic Preservation Office (DC SHPO) has reviewed the above-referenced project(s) in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended and has determined that:

- ☐ This project will have **no effect** on historic properties. No further DC SHPO review or comment will be necessary.
- ☐ There are **no historic properties** that will be affected by this project. No further DC SHPO review or comment will be necessary.
- ☐ This project will have **no adverse effect** on historic properties. No further DC SHPO review or comment will be necessary.
- ☒ This project will have **no adverse effect** on historic properties **conditioned** upon fulfillment of the measures stipulated below.

GSA proposes to install two signs at the Orville Wright Building at 800 Independence Avenue SW giving the history of the slave pen that formerly stood on the spot. The project will have no adverse effects, but should unanticipated archaeological discoveries be identified during the installation, GSA must contact the City Archaeologist, Dr. Ruth Trocolli at [ruth.trocolli@dc.gov](mailto:ruth.trocolli@dc.gov) or 202-442-8836.

**BY:**

Anne O. Brockett  
Architectural Historian



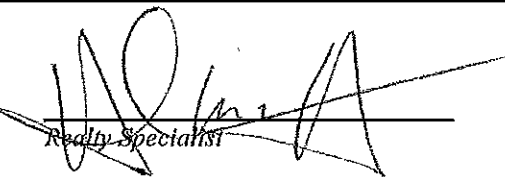
# NEPA/Floodplain Determination Form

(Name) Heleen Haussen  
(Title) Program Analyst

To Be Completed by the Realty Specialist

Project Name: FAA Interpretative Signage					
Project Address: 800 Independence Ave., SW					
City:	Washington	State:	DC	Zip Code:	20591
Agency: FAA		CBP	Lease/Project Number:		N/A
Size of Lease/Project (square footage):		N/A	Number of Personnel:		N/A
Provided Parking: N/A					
Requirement Action Type: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuing Need <input type="checkbox"/> Expansion <input type="checkbox"/> Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
Facility:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing Building <input type="checkbox"/> Speculative Building <input type="checkbox"/> Build to Suit			
Type of Building (office, lab, warehouse, etc.):		office			
Use of existing Building:		office			
Any Change of Use if Existing:		no			
Delineated Area Description:		N/A			
Estimated Award Date:		N/A			

	Yes	No	Item
1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain Map Attached (See Floodplain Mapping)
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Located within a Historic Building / District (If yes, proceed to #3. If no, proceed to #4.)
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regional Historic Preservation Officer (RHPO) Notified N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Result in the use, storage, release and/or disposal of toxic, hazardous, or radioactive materials, or in the exposure of people to such materials?

Signature: 

Date: 4/28/16

Please complete all fields prior to submitting to the NEPA Office.

# NEPA/Floodplain Determination Form

To Be Completed by the NEPA Office

Environmental Determination		Comment/Citation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Automatic CATEX	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Checklist CATEX	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Assessment	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Impact Statement	

Floodplain Determination	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outside 100-Year and 500-Year Floodplain ( <i>No Further Action</i> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	500-Year Floodplain ( <i>Critical Action Determination Letter Required</i> )
	<p>Yes No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Critical Action</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> 8-Step Process Required</p> <p>[If 'Critical Action,' then 8-Step Process Required; if 'not a Critical Action,' then no further action required]</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	100-Year Floodplain ( <i>8-Step Process Required</i> )

Comments/Notes	

Signature: <u></u> NEPA Officer	Date: <u>4/28/16</u>
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**MAP SCALE 1" = 500'**



**PANEL 0019C**

# FIRM

**FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,  
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**PANEL 19 OF 100**

(SEE MAP INDEX FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT)

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**MAP REVISED  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2010**

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

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